

# CHILD'S PLAY



Rollerslide — lives up (and down) to its name.

There's a "Revolution in Play" at Miami Beach. It's a children's world, a unique installation of play equipment, set out with landscaping and special effects in Flamingo Park—and at first sight it looks like a colorful fantasy of modern art. But a lively horde of youngsters romping round, and some very convincing shrieks of joy, prove its practical function.

It's a new form of playground in which children become explorers, creative explorers. The installation itself consists of modular units, made mainly of fiber-glass, which can be placed in an endless number of different arrangements.

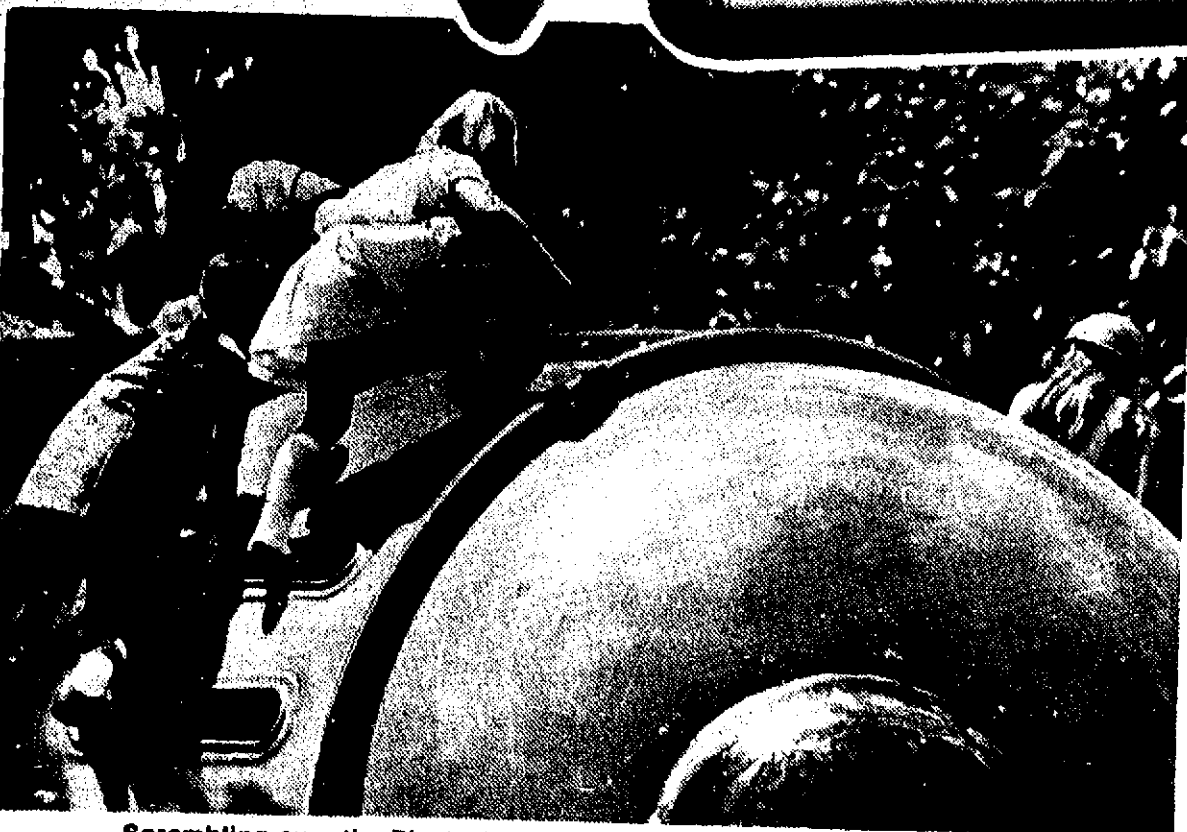
The child of our urban times will make a beeline for the Cityscape, one of the units, an intriguing construction with secret tunnels, portholes for spying and ladders for climbing. A dive into the phantom-colored Playtank prompts more games—or are they dreams?

In or out of cities, there's still a yearning for open space, for energy explosions. So, how about some free form movement on the Rocking Rods? Or a wild ride on the Rollerslide?

Space is just one more game to the young, obviously, and here's their own, child-sized Saturn. A sky-slanted, eight-foot-diameter sphere, it tempts a young adventurer into becoming his (or her) own creative play director.

The set-up may have dream-world associations. But it's all really very solid. The Play Systems structures are sturdy, vandal-proofed, made of materials to withstand weather—and children. Essentially, they appeal to children's own instincts and impulses, prompting them to make up their own games. As they play they learn. But the learning is fun.

This Week's PICTURE SHOW—AP Newsfeatures.



Scrambling over the Playtank is only half the fun. You can go inside, too . . .



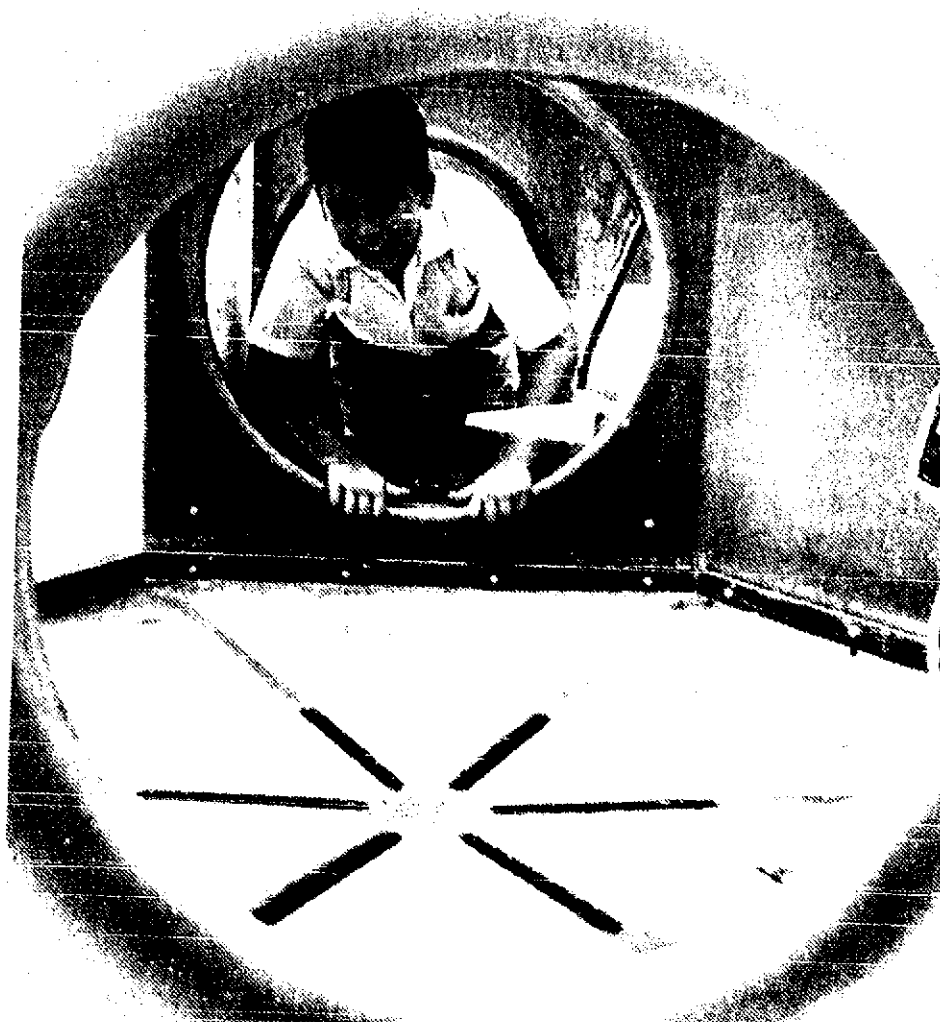
... In fact you can go right through and come chuting out of the end.



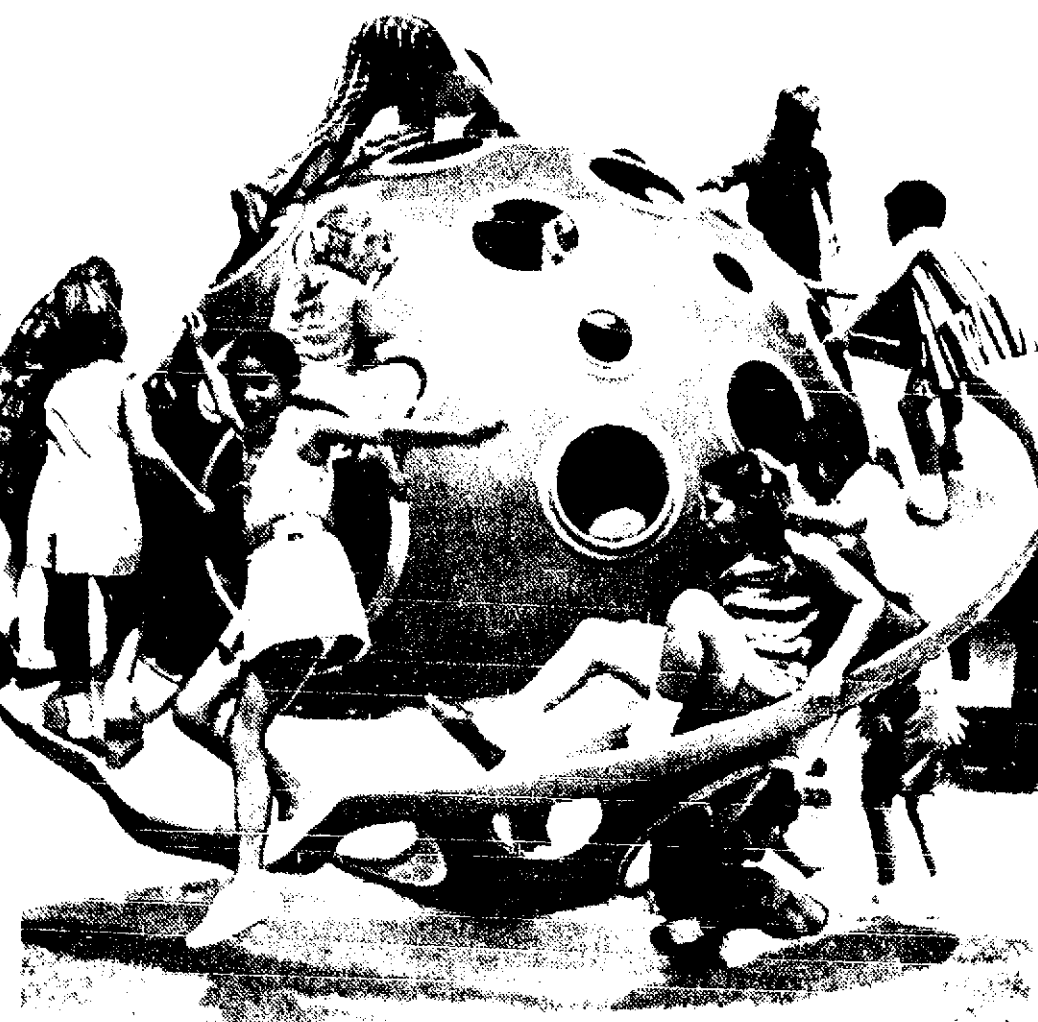
Yippee! Two ecstatic riders bounce on one of the Rocking Rods.



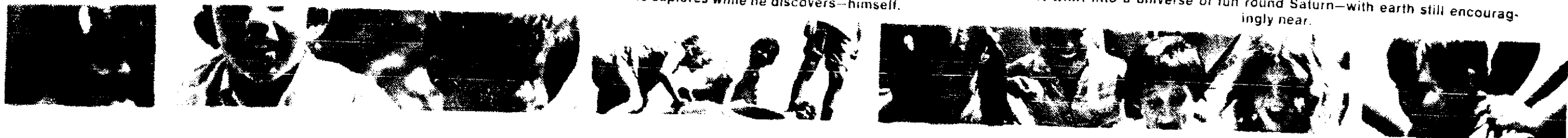
Cityscape is fantasy built to a child's scale . . .



... which he explores while he discovers—himself.



A whirl into a universe of fun round Saturn—with earth still encouragingly near.





# SOCIETY

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## Calendar of Events

### TUESDAY JANUARY 27

The Jett B. Graves Class of the First United Methodist Church will have a potluck supper Tuesday, January 27 at 7 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Marie Cook with Mrs. W. F. James, Mrs. Frank Walters, and Mrs. Loyd Kinard, co-hostesses.

The Cosmopolitan Club will meet Tuesday, Jan. 27, in the home of Mrs. Eddie Whitman with Mrs. Everett Vinson as co-hostess.

Chapter AE, P.E.O. will meet at 2 p.m. Tuesday, January 27 in the home of Mrs. Frank McLarty.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28  
Junior Auxiliary will meet in the Chamber of Commerce office, Wednesday, January 28 at 10 a.m. The executive board will meet at 9:30.

## Speech Style of Nixon Is Departure

By JOHN BECKLER  
Associated Press Writer  
WASHINGTON (AP) — President Nixon's first State of the Union address demonstrated a presidential style vastly different from that of his two immediate predecessors.

There was none of the folksy, person to person approach frequently employed by Lyndon B. Johnson and no brilliant phrases or literary allusion such as John F. Kennedy used.

Nixon spoke briskly in a matter of fact way that may, as much as anything, sum up his approach to the presidency.

And Congress responded in a matter of fact way: Republicans clapped loudly in all the right places and the Democrats applauded politely on occasion.

Although the State of the Union address is supposed to be a message to Congress, Nixon clearly had a larger audience in mind.

His eyes rarely strayed to the members of the House and Senate, but remained fixed on the copy of his speech before him or on the television camera in the center aisle a few feet away.

Nixon's preference for openly reading his speech marked another departure from the immediate past. Both Johnson and Kennedy liked to use a prompting device that made it look as though they had memorized their speeches.

Johnson frequently would look directly at someone when he was making a point—such as at a recalcitrant committee chairman when discussing legislation.

And where Kennedy liked to turn to poets, historians, and statesmen for quotes to illuminate his remarks, Nixon stuck to the conventional rhetoric of the occasion, drawing only once on an outside source.

Toward the end of his speech, he departed from his text to say, "Listen to President Thomas Jefferson in 1802: 'We act not for ourselves, but for the whole human race.'"

**Fired for Not Wearing Brassiere**  
MORRILTON, Ark. (AP) — A grandmother, who wasn't comfortable in a brassiere says she was fired from her job for not wearing one.

Mrs. Floella Cat of Morrilton said she didn't wear a bra when she went to her job Monday at the Chrysler-Arkansas Mills, where she had been employed for three years.

Other women notified her at a five-minute break time, apparently notified by her brassiere, Mrs. Cat said.

She said her husband, Johnny Moll, asked her to go home and put on a bra, but she refused to do so.

Moll went to the local sheriff's office and reported the matter, she said. She said she was fired for not wearing a bra.

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# Fiji Islands Resort to Fashion

By HELEN HENNESSY  
NEA Women's Editor

NEW YORK — (NEA) — Praise of resort fashions that hail from such holiday spots as the Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, the Bahamas, Bermuda and Acapulco is par for the course this time of year—with winter vacations not far away.

And now comes proof that good fashion comes from Fiji, too.

Designer Cherie Alofa Whiteside, a native of Suva, Fiji, designs the fabrics and creates the fashions for her own firm, Tiki Togs. With tourism in Fiji growing each year Cherie's aim is to create something uniquely Fijian for her customers to wear back home after their holiday is over.

Mrs. Whiteside, who studied formal art at the East Sydney Technical College, taught herself screen-printing and hand-blocking from books and magazines. The fabrics she designs are bold and colorful—the fashions dramatic and glamorous.

Her business has grown right along with tourism to her native land. Originally a one-girl firm, Tiki Togs now employs two printers and a staff of nine for cutting and sewing.

Cherie, now the mother of three, is a busy lady. She does wall prints and lampshades for some of Fiji's newest hotels as well as maintaining her going dress business.

When commissioned to do a mural for Suva's Civic Centre, she turned out a brilliant contemporary design—



Cherie Whiteside, a young designer from Fiji, is making a stir in the fashion world with her resort creations. Red and black handprint toga dress (left) is called Tabona. Shirtwaister (right) with tie belt is in black with citrus yellow handprint. The designs were photographed at the Fijian Hotel, Yanuca Island.

not in fabric but in beaten copper and stained rough timber.

Her name and her designs are making themselves

known in Australia and other places far from Fiji.

As other designers from faraway places have achieved recognition in Eu-

rope and the United States in the art and fashion areas, Cherie Whiteside seems to be on her way.

(Newspaper Enterprise Ass'n.)

## Furniture Designer Feels More Flexibility Needed To Shake Up the World

By AILEEN SNODDY

NEW YORK — (NEA) — Quasar Khanh, Vietnamese-born and Paris-educated engineer, seems the prototype for a radical. One that those in an organization such as SDS, for example, might flip out for.

He would feel naked without his Fu Manchu (or is it Joe Namath?) mustache.

He believes the future belongs to the unstable.

He tells artist friends painting is a dying art form while television is the thing.

He says middle-aged executives stand in the way of progress in the United States.

He whizzes around Paris in a Quat—a six-foot, clear plastic cube on wheels that holds six and parks in any direction because it is square.

Sign him up, "extremists." Better not, Khanh chuckles at the reaction he probably will get from students during a guest lecture on the Vietnam war at Stony Brook University on Long Island. He was here primarily to discuss introduction of his inflatable furniture, which had \$1 million sales in France last year.

They expect me to be a way-out extremist, a radical, I am not.

He explains: "I don't want

to destroy the past. Just make a better future. The extremists don't make progress. They just destroy."

A major problem today for both the young and the old, he feels, is that everybody is too stable.

"One must be lighter and unstable. By this I mean more flexible. People must be taught to be unstable and go and live with the fast changes of the world."

He sees us going into the Lighter Generation and explains that everything will be lighter because things like airplanes allow people to move a lot and people won't want to get stuck with something heavy like a Louis XV chair. This is why Khanh is excited by the use of plastic—an elegant material, he calls it, for new solutions.

After he left Vietnam when 14, Khanh buddied about the continent with Europeans and lots of Americans.

"I feel more Vietnamese or American than Vietnamese," he comments, and this gives him a lever to point out that "Many problems of unrest in the U.S. came because the older generation did not accept our immense technological changes. It held back, rather than moving with the times. The unbelievable landing on the moon made a great difference to Americans. Many see now that it is the future and not the past that is interesting. That all mankind is now involved."

Again Khanh hastens to explain he doesn't want to bury those over 30. Some young are too rigid, he feels.

"I don't design my Quasar Inflatables for an age group but for the mentally modern people."

An example is a professor from Edinburgh of 65 who wanted an inflatable chair for in front of his fireplace.

Khanh, his wife Emmanuelle (the fashion designer) and children Othello and Atlantique Venus live in Montparnasse with his "very traditional" grandmother.

"She is religious. We are not. But we are strict with the children. We are teaching them respect for others."

"Extremists, the young people who want to live alone without considering other people, should make their own country."

"We are," he says wisely and slowly this favorite approach to design, business and political thought, "to find that equality in the world will be brought about by technology such as the superjumbo jets. It will be forced on people whether they want it or not."

Living with technology is vital to the future, the thoughtful designer stresses. So don't puncture that inflatable chair. Understand it.

(Newspaper Enterprise Ass'n.)

I design for the mentally modern person and not an age group," says Quasar Khanh, Vietnamese-born, Paris-based designer who turns out sofas, chairs, lamps and tables—all inflatable—for the Lighter Generation.



## Bird-Watchers 'Bible' Is Key to Identification

By JIM CROSSLEY

An author speaks of his book:

"It is gratifying to see a copy marked on nearly every page, for I know it has been well-used."

"Although the cover is water-proofed, I have seen many copies with homemade oilcloth jackets; I have seen copies torn apart, reorganized and rebound to suit the owner's taste; others have been tabbed with index tabs or fitted with flaps or envelopes to hold daily check-lists."

"I have seen special pockets made in clothing and on car doors to accommodate the guide."

Few authors are fortunate enough to have such visual evidence of the enthusiastic acceptance of their works.

And when the book is about birds, this public adulation is even more astonishing.

Roger Tory Peterson's "A Field Guide to Birds," dealing with Eastern land and sea birds, and the twin, "A Field Guide to Western Birds," are the admitted standard index books for identifying birds in the field and have been for many years.

The former volume appeared originally in 1934. Demand spawned a revised edition in 1939 and a second revision in 1947. Presently, the book is in its 38th printing.

As befitting a book to be carried in the field, it is small in dimensions—7 1/4 by 4 1/2-inch page size, about 300 pages. It depends on pages of color and black-and-white drawings of birds keyed to terse description tables to speed up identification.

It would be difficult to become a bird-watcher without acquiring copies of Peterson's guides. The books are used in ornithology classes. A high-speed system of emphasis marks on the drawings calls attention to easy points of identification.

Born in Jamestown, N.Y., Peterson's ability for drawing and youthful interest in birds led him into the nature field and a long-time association with the National Audubon Society. His exhaustive cataloging brought order into a growing field of bird identification just at a time this pleasant replacement for the blood sports was attracting converts pell-mell.

Bird-banding, as most of us engage in it, he explains in the guide, is a game, a most absorbing game. Recognition is not the end and aim of ornithology but it is certainly a most fascinating diversion.

And he adds this gentle warning: "It is the discovery of the rare varieties that puts many of us into birding, a quest that many of us would not have undertaken if it were not for the thrill of the hunt."



## Mariette Is Back With A Big Part

By DICK KLEINER  
NEA Hollywood Correspondent

Here's a tip to would-be producers. Want (who doesn't?) to get Dustin Hoffman for a picture? Get a story involving a prize fighter who goes to prison.

"There are two areas I am really interested in," Dusty says. "Prize fighting and prisons."

Soul-searching time is over for Mariette Hartley. She searched and she found that she really does want to be an actress, after all.

Mariette, big and beautiful and talented, had been acting—"I was a compulsive actress"—since she was 10. Then she did the television series, The Hero, and after that failed, she had a long, hard year. A year "of almost nothing."

"That was O.K.," she says, "because it gave me a chance to find out who I was and where I wanted to go."

She worked as a salesgirl in a big L.A. department store—"and I was a good salesgirl"—but she found out that she really did want to act. Now she's back, and she was one of the "Marooned" wives and she has a big part in another film coming up.

And she has found out she loves the West, too. She did a Death Valley Days "and I drove through Death Valley at sunset and it was so red it was like driving through blood."

Then, in Colorado for "Barquero," she drove through the Rockies.

"I'd see full rainbows from mountain top to mountain top," she says. "It was so beautiful I was looking while I was driving. And I said, 'Look, God, you'd better drive—I'm too busy watching.'"

All you dreamers who want to be stars but are just too lazy to try, meet Lyle Waggoner.

He knew he wanted to get into show business. But it was just a "someday" kind of thing. At 29, he was still saying "someday," and meanwhile earning a good living for his wife and himself as a salesman.

Then he began selling tons of salt for ice removal and he thought he had it made. Only problem was that spring came along and nobody was concerned too much about ice removal. So he took his wife and his profits and came to California.

He got a job as a salesman of photo-copying equipment and simultaneously tried to break into show business. He did, through meeting an agent who signed him. But there was a long lean period after that. He worked in a mailroom and his wife worked for an airline.

But finally he had a good job as Carol Burnett's on-screen "announcer." He's still with Carol, and it's three years now.

"I'm learning," he says. "It's on-the-job training. I take the scripts home and try to figure out how Harvey Korman would say the lines, and I learn from the times I'm wrong as well as the times I'm right."



## HELEN HELP US!

by Helen Bottel

### YOUTH ASKED FOR IT!

This column is for young people, their problems and pleasures, their troubles and fun. As with the rest of Helen Help Us, it welcomes laughs but won't dodge a serious question with a brush off.

Send your teenage questions to YOUTH ASKED FOR IT, care of Helen Help Us! this newspaper.

CLOSE SHAVE WITH THE LAW

Dear Helen: We have a "shaving judge" in our town. When you come into his court on minor offenses—that is first-time things—he lets the guys with short haircuts and no beards off with a lecture and a month's probation, especially if they have on neckties and jackets.

But if our hair is long or we have some on our faces we get a choice of going to jail or going bald, via his official barber, some of us can't afford a jail term as, believe it or not, we work and go to college. So we turn up looking like billiard balls. There will soon be enough of us to form a club, as traffic tickets in this town are easy to come by—especially if you are long-haired, male and young.

Should we march on the court house, or what?—SAMSON WITH DILEMMA

Dear Sam: If you "bald ones" form a club and leak the news to the local paper, you won't need a march on the court house. One picture, titled "Close Shave With the Law" will take this judge out of the barber business—unless your town is much more reactionary than it should be!

Dear Helen: My parents won't let me buy any of the popular records because they've read that groups like the Beatles, Rolling Stones, etc. put double meanings into their stuff. Well, so what if they do? Just because you hear a song doesn't mean you'll jump into dope, bed, or other "evil practices." After all, our folks watch those sexy ads on TV that mean all kinds of things while selling shave creams and

colognes, and they don't go wild. Besides, I've heard some oldies—the records my folks bring out at parties and anything I buy is super-clean compared to them.

Why all this double standard? I like modern music because of the good sounds, while adults seem to blank out everything but "those words." Isn't this dumb?—DEPRIVED

Dear Deprived: I'm not a censorship-freak so I'll agree with you: It's dumb to monitor every record for possible double meanings. The kids already know the score here, but they're more interested in the music.—H.

Dear Helen: We've been saving our Christmas cards, and hope you'll again give us address of some organization or person who can make use of used cards.—D.J.R.

Dear D: Here are several addresses of native ministers who need Christmas cards, especially those with a religious scene.

Peter John, Evangelist, Medical and Gospel Home, Mannuthy P.O., Trichur, Kerala, South India.

The Rev. R.D. Devasigomony, The Lord Jesus Christ Evangelical Tabernacle, 49 Stanley Nagar, Madras, 21, South India.

The Rev. Golem Pitong, La Castellana Negros Occidental, Philippines.

Packages marked "Used Cards, No Value" may be mailed very reasonably.—H.

This column is dedicated to family living, so if you're having kid trouble, or just plain trouble, let Helen help YOU. She will also welcome your own amusing experiences. Address Helen Bottel in care of Hope Star. Copyright, 1969, Inc.

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WIN AT BRIDGE

Horse Trading Saves a Loser  
By Oswald & James Jacoby

Table with 4 columns: NORTH, WEST, EAST, SOUTH (D). It contains card game notation including suits (spades, hearts, diamonds, clubs) and ranks (A, K, Q, J, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2).

One of the classic bridge plays is named the loser-on-loser. It consists of conceding a trick that you would have to lose later on and gaining a second trick by this means.

George Gooden has another name for it. He calls it a horse-trading play. South has a mighty strong heart opening and when his partner jumps to three hearts South is off to the races. A great expert playing with an expert partner would try some complicated series of cue bids but George is writing for students and simply suggested Blackwood four and five no-trump with a stop at six after North shows no king.

The slam is a rather easy one to lose. If South just tries a spade finesse he will have to lose that trick and one other, but a little horse trading will save the day for him.

He wins the club lead in his own hand and draws trumps with two leads. Then he plays a club to the ace and ruffs a club, leads a diamond to the ace, another back to his king and ruffs his last diamond in dummy. Now he plays dummy's last club and throws his losing deuce of spades on that losing club. West wins the trick and is helpless. If he leads a spade, he has taken South's finesse for him; if he leads a club South will ruff in dummy and discard his queen of spades. Either way the horse trade has made the slam for South.

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Television Logs

Table with 3 columns: Time, Program Name, Channel. It lists TV programs for Saturday, Sunday, and Monday, including shows like 'The Waltons', 'Gunsmoke', 'The Love Boat', etc.



SIDE GLANCES

By GILL FOX



"Good news, sir! Our collections have increased 20 per cent since our credit card plan caught on as a status symbol!"

CARNIVAL

By DICK TURNER



"The guy who said women's place is in the home didn't have one who played bridge, did he Pop?"

FLASH GORDON

Page Five  
By DAN BARRY



THE BORN LOSER

By ART SANSON



OUT OUR WAY

By NEG COCKRAN



OUR BOARDING HOUSE

By MAJOR HOOPLE



EEK & MEK

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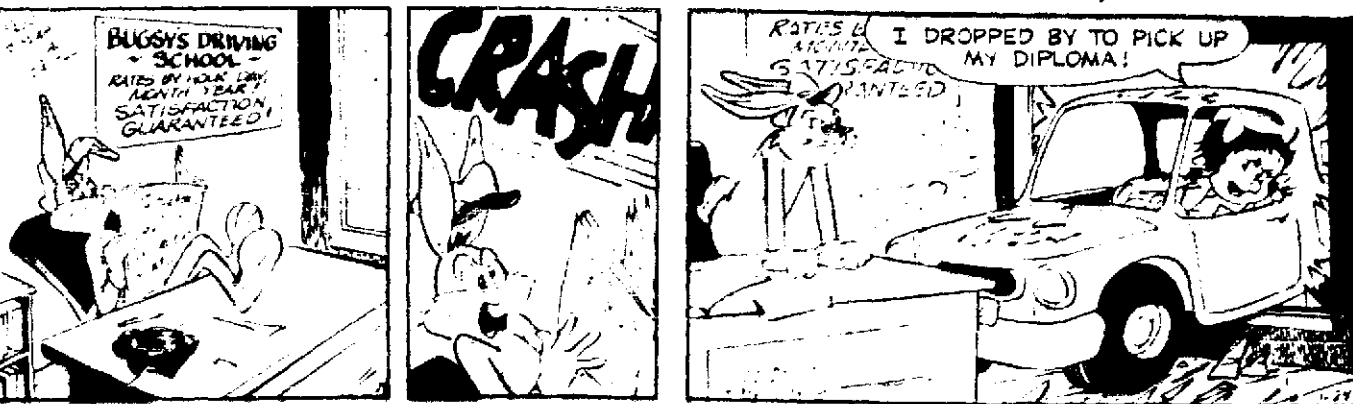
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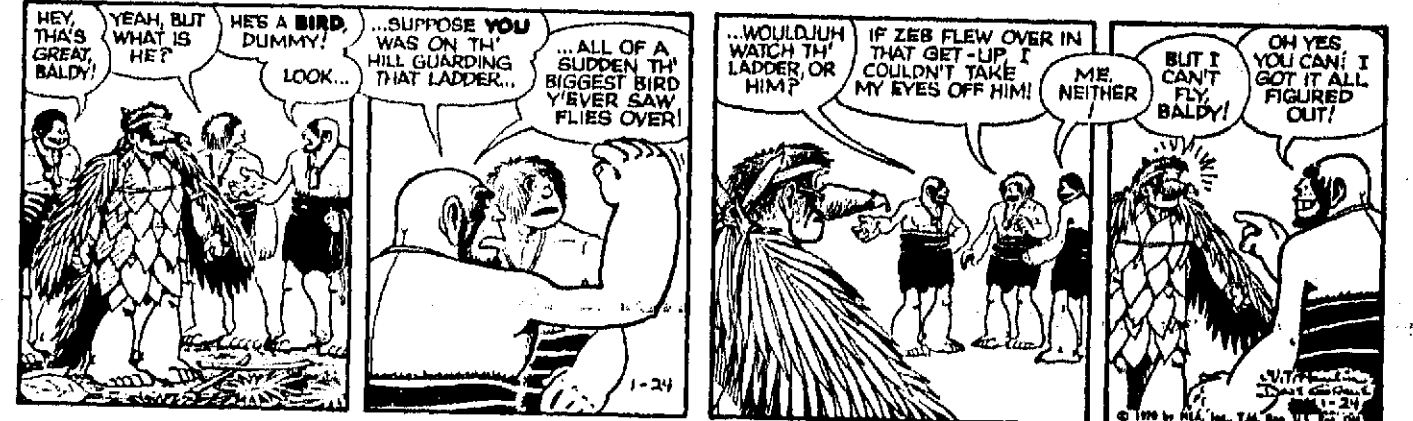
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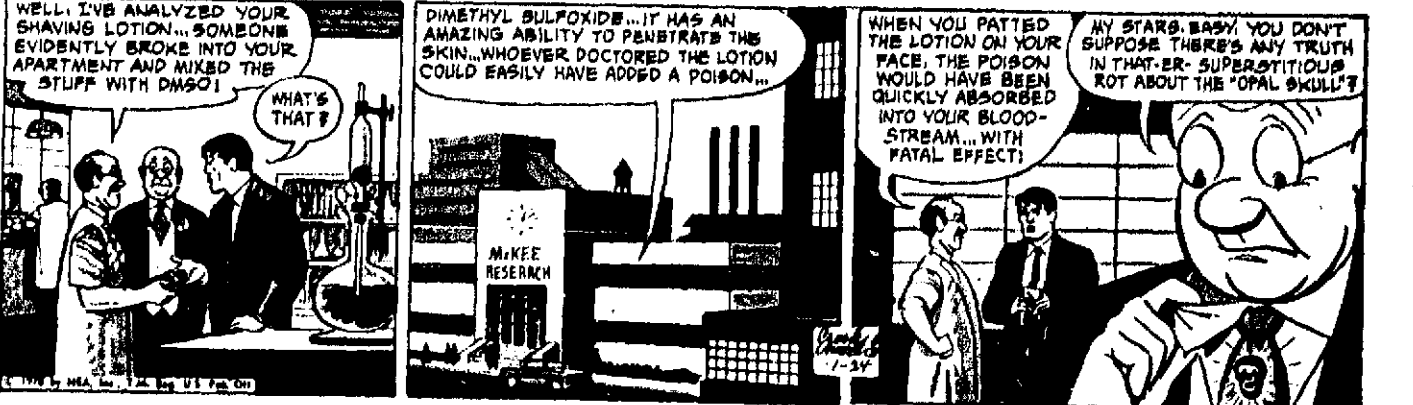
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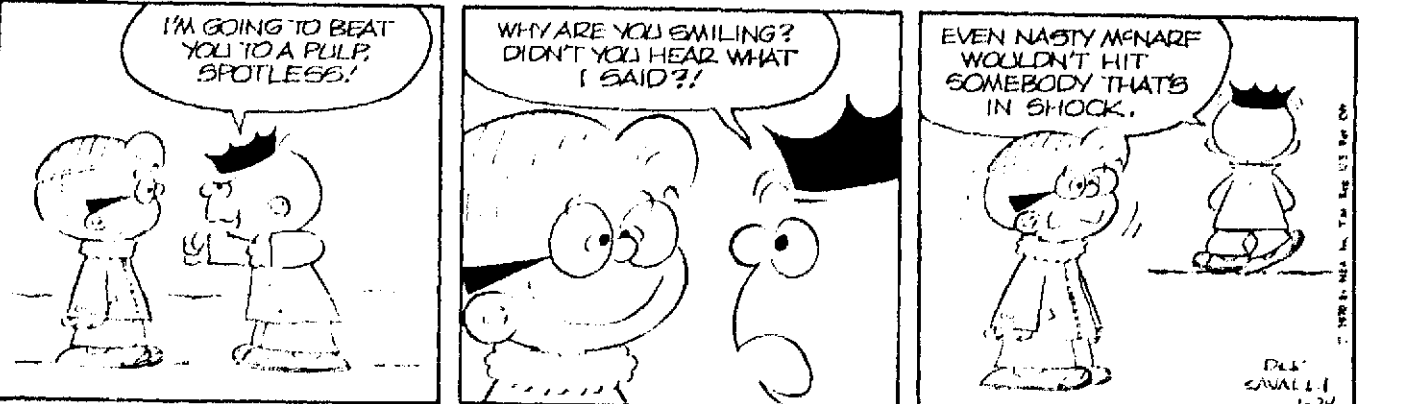
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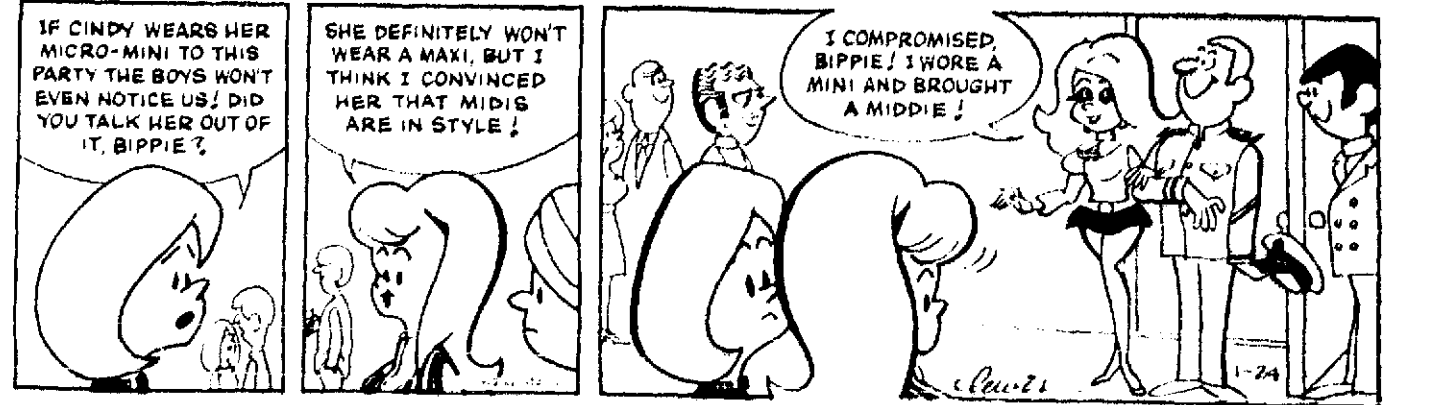
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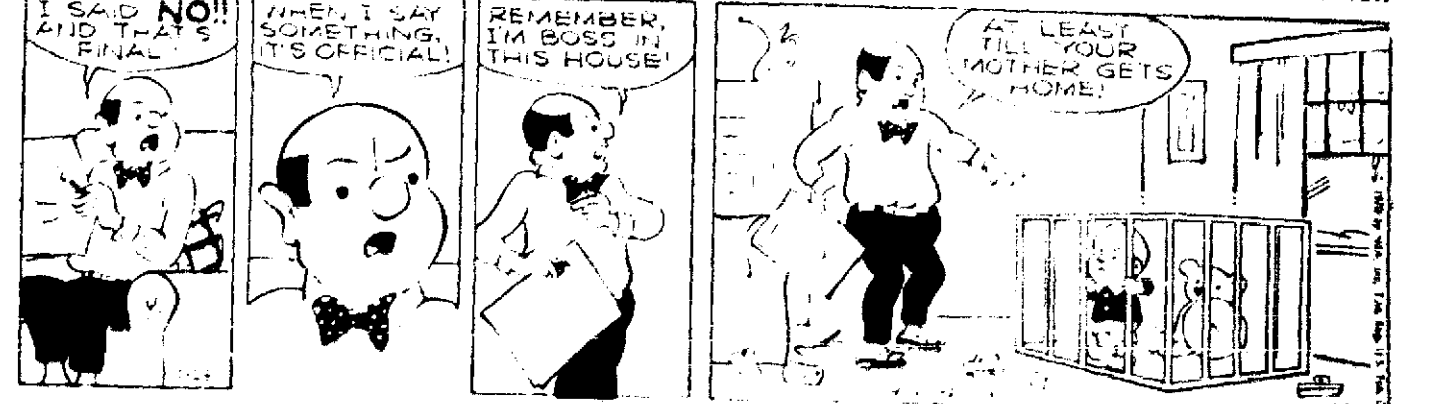
CAMPUS CLATTER

By LARRY LEWIS



PRICILLA'S POP

By AL VERMER





# Hope At Star Sports

## Malvern Defeats Bobcats

By KATHY MORTON  
Star Sports Writer

No visiting team has an easy time in C.A.A. Last night the high-flying Malvern Leopards stopped into town and met with a hard-fought 63-57 victory from Jones Field House.

Malvern is now 14-2 and 2-1 in C.A.A. West, while Hope is 9-7 and 1-2. And the Cats wrap up their first divisional round-robin in tonight at home with Fairview, the opening junior boys game tipping off at 6:30 p.m.

In the end it was foul shooting that made the difference, as the Leopards ripped 17 of 16 while Hope made only 5 of 13 attempts.

Given a large favorite's role, Malvern jumped to early leads of 5-2 and 12-0 after five minutes. Then Hope caught some confidence, with big Dudley and Muldrew against Malvern's Freddie Jones and Royce Bailey, and got some outside shooting to cap it off.

Six straight points put Hope ahead 14-12 and insured a tight scoring battle the remainder of the way. Bailey hit two closing baskets, and the scoreboard was knotted at 16-11 by the resting stop.

Although not falling behind by an appreciable length, Hope lost much in the second frame when Muldrew picked up his fourth foul and had to be benched for Lynn Norton.

It was Dudley's points that kept the Bobcats ahead, leading 29-26 two minutes before the half. Bailey then sacked two lay-ups and Jones picked up some free throws, so Malvern had it 32-29 at halftime.

Thanks to the clutch shooting of Muldrew and Parker Powell it was tied 37-37 at 4:53, when Bailey started working his weight around for some easy field goals, a 45-40 margin.

Only some mixed charity shots kept the cold-shooting Cats as close as two points in that short period, as it was 49-44 Malvern entering the final quarter.

Hope missed some good opportunities in those last eight minutes to gain command, and could get no closer than 53-51, 57-55, or 59-57. Foulshots by Charles Weaver and Jimmy Stevens made the six-point spread sound bigger.

Surely a close loss like that is demoralizing, but Hope came through with the outside shooting of Ronnie Massanelli, Parker Powell, and David Briggs. That always helps.

Fairview tonight brings in big Shady Patton, Arkansas' best high school basketball player, 6-7 Mike Green, 6-1 Jimmy Harris, and 5-11 Lewis Jirmy.

It will be hard for Hope to come back under stern conditions against Fairview, but the mental attitude may be down some after the close Malvern defeat. It will be here this evening, though, which also makes it a good ball game potentially.

**HOPE BOBCATS**  
FG FT-FTA TP  
Briggs . . . 5 0-0 10  
Dudley . . . 7 2-5 16  
Powell . . . 7 0-0 14  
Muldrew . . 6 2-5 14  
Massanelli . 1 1-3 3  
26 5-13 57

**MALVERN LEOPARDS**  
FG FT-FTA TP  
F. Jones . . 5 5-6 15  
Stevens . . . 7 2-2 16  
Bailey . . . 11 4-7 26  
X. Jones . . 0 0-0 0  
Weaver . . . 1 2-2 4  
Efird . . . . 1 0-0 2  
25 13-17 63

Fouled out: None  
Team Fouls: Hope 15, Malvern 11

**SCORE BY QUARTERS**  
1 2 3 4 Totals  
Hope 16 13 15 13 57  
Malvern 16 16 17 14 63  
Officials: Gene Anderson and Sonny Nutt

**Ark. State Downs Tennessee-Martin**  
JONESBORO, Ark. (AP) — Arkansas State hit only 32 percent of its first-half field goal attempts, but bounced back in the second half to whip Tennessee-Martin branch 73-67 in basketball Thursday night.

## Basketball

Pro Basketball  
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
NBA

**Friday's Results**  
New York 120, Chicago 117  
Philadelphia 133, Baltimore 118  
Detroit 109, Boston 105, OT  
Los Angeles 128, Seattle 100  
San Fran. 138, Phoenix 132

**Today's Games**  
Philadelphia at Baltimore  
Chicago at Detroit  
Cincinnati at Milwaukee  
San Diego at New York  
Phoenix vs. San Francisco at Oakland

**Sunday's Games**  
New York at Boston  
Baltimore at Cincinnati  
Phoenix at Los Angeles  
Detroit at Chicago  
San Diego at Philadelphia  
Milwaukee at Atlanta

**Monday's Games**  
Atlanta at San Francisco  
Cincinnati vs. Chicago at Kansas City  
Philadelphia at Milwaukee

**ABA**  
**Friday's Results**  
No games scheduled  
**Today's Games**  
All-Star Game at Indianapolis  
Sunday's Games  
Indiana at New York  
Carolina at Pittsburgh  
Dallas at Denver

**Monday's Games**  
No games scheduled  
**Friday's College Basketball**  
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
East

Boston U. 79, Dartmouth 74  
Miami, Fla., 103, Florida Southern 92

**Far West**  
UCLA 89, UC-Santa Barb. 80  
Oregon State 78, Oregon 73  
Santa Cl

ra 82, Seattle 76  
Air Force 56, California 55  
Wyoming 84, Stanford 74  
Montana 86, Montana State 72

**Arkansas Basketball**  
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
College  
Arkansas Tech 91, Arkansas A&M 46  
Mississippi College 104, UALR 92

Ouachita 5, Arkansas College 53  
Shorter 99, Mary Holmes 92  
High School  
North Little Rock 49, El Dorado 48

Searcy 60, Conway 40  
LR Mann 80, LR Hall 63  
Jonesboro Westside 60, Harrisburg 49

Camden Fairview 80, Arkadelphia 45  
Camden Lincoln 84, Waldo 53  
Pine Bluff 63, FS Northside 54

Greene County Tech 67, Batesville 41  
Highland 58, Corning 56, overtime  
NLR Jones 80, Sheridan 62  
LR McClellan 79, Helena 39

McGehee 58, Lake Village 34  
Pine Bluff Coleman 71, LR Mills 60

Wabbaseka Walker 75, Plum Bayou 57  
Hamburg 79, Wilmot 57  
Pine Bluff Merrill 57, Star City Lincoln 48

Warren 70, Smackover 52  
Wabbaseka 67, Glendale 61  
Altzheimer 50, Ouachita 49

Pine Bluff Dollarway 62, Gra-dy 56  
NLR Northeast 68, Hot Springs Lakeside 60

Jonesboro 58, Jacksonville 55  
Blytheville 62, West Memphis 59

LR Parkview 63, Bryant 51  
LR Central 73, Hot Springs 54  
Tuckerman 74, Newport 68

Valley Springs 46, Harrison 47  
Springdale 78, Bentonville 55  
Marvell 66, Eudora Johns 50

Arkansas DEAF School 83, Bauxite 72  
FS Southside 91, Texarkana 60

Portland 61, Desha Central 44  
LR Catholic 54, Russellville 51



## Esposito Nets His 24th Goal

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The string was running out on the Boston Bruins, with both the clock and Philadelphia's Bernie Parent stacked against them.

Then, the Flyers hit the goal post of an empty Boston cage—and Phil Esposito hit the jackpot.

Esposito's goal with six seconds to play gave Boston a 3-3 tie with Philadelphia Thursday night, extending the Bruins' unbeaten string against the National Hockey League's expansion clubs to 22 games this season.

Parent, the Flyers' chunky goaltender, turned aside 51 Boston shots before Esposito capped a last-ditch rush with his 24th goal. Bobby Orr and Johnny Bucyk drew assists on the equalizer, which came after Boston pulled a goalie Ed Johnston with 42 seconds remaining and a long Philadelphia shot ticked off the post.

The deadlock gave the Bruins a 17-0-5 record against the West and lifted them within two points of first place New York in the East.

The Rangers bowed to St. Louis' West Division leaders 4-3 on an unassisted third period goal by Red Berenson. Montreal, third in the East, whipped Minnesota 4-2 and moved within two points of Boston; Chicago edged Detroit 4-3 and Toronto downed Los Angeles 3-2 in other games.

Ex-Bruin Gary Doernhoefer broke a 2-2 tie early in the third period and Parent, another Boston custodian, held off the home club with dazzling saves until the closing seconds. His 51 stops set a club record for the Flyers.

Berenson stole the rubber at his own blue line and broke away to beat goalie Ed Giacomin for a 4-2 St. Louis lead. The Rangers closed the gap on Dave Balon's tally but could not put across another against Blues' goalie Ernie Wakely. It was only their second defeat in 22 games against West Division opponents.

Bobby Rousseau fired two Montreal goals and assisted on the others as the Canadiens beat Minnesota for the first time in four meetings.

Pit Martin scored twice and set up a third goal, leading the Black Hawks past Detroit and into a fourth place tie with the Red Wings in the East.

Veteran George Armstrong's pair of goals carried Toronto to its victory over Los Angeles, which lost its fifth straight.

Mike Walton produced the Leafs' other goal while Mike Corrigan and Bill Flett scored for the Kings.

**Arkansas in Tournament**  
PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Richard Crawford shot 70 Thursday in the first round of the \$125,000 Bing Crosby National Pro-Am golf tournament.

Miller Barber of Texas shot 71 and R. H. Sikes of Springfield finished the round with 75.

**Henderson Extends Lead in AIC Play**  
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Henderson expended its lead over Arkansas College in the AIC's B Division Thursday night by pasting the Scots 74-52 at Arkadelphia.

In another game, State College overwhelmed Ozarks, Mo., 97-69 at Conway.

Mike Peterson paced the Red-dies with 21 points. Henderson led all the way and held a 14-point advantage at halftime.

Gary Weeks scored 10, which was the best any Arkansas College player could manage. Henderson's league record is 6-2, with AC now 3-4.



## The off-season smiles belong to a couple of valuable people—Harmon Killebrew, left, of the Minnesota Twins and Willie McCovey, right, of the San Francisco Giants, the MVPs of the American and National Leagues, respectively. Killebrew is wintering in Ontario, Ore., McCovey in San Francisco.

**Gonzales to Play Laver in Tennis Match**

By WILL GRIMSLEY  
AP Special Correspondent

NEW YORK (AP) — Pancho Gonzales' tennis may have melted with age, but not his disposition.

He still plays the game in anger.

"I get fired up every time I pick up a racket—sure, I still get sore if somebody breaks my concentration," the 41-year-old warhorse of the courts said today as he awaited tonight's \$10,000 winner-take-all match against world champion Rod Laver at Madison Square Garden.

Gonzales, with gray hair now streaked with gray and the scar on his left cheek turning into a gash of blaze as he talked, sat on a bench in the men's locker room, methodically taping his calloused fingers, and discussed his reputation as the terrible-tempered Mr. Bang of tennis.

"It's not really a correct image," he explained with low, measured words. "In all of my years in tennis, I can't recall ever having lost a match because I lost my pulse and let my temper get away from me."

Pancho was reminded that in his amateur days and in his early days as a professional, when he was the world's best, he had been known to storm off the court in the midst of a match and go after a heckler in the stands.

"Only about three or four times," he said. "Always it was some drunk. When a spectator starts needing an athlete who is involved in a contest and who is concentrating deeply, the spectator must be ready to accept the consequences."

"I'd still go into the stands if some guy kept hurting insults at me."

The old pro said he disagreed with those critics who contend that tennis players are prima donnas and should be no less susceptible to noise than baseball and football athletes.

"Noise is great—but not until the point is played. It's the crucial point. A man making a crucial putt and in deep concentration needs silence. When the putt falls, let people scream all they want. It's good."

"It's the same in tennis."

Although ten years older than Laver, Gonzales feels his chances are good against the left-handed Australian who swept all major open championships in 1969 and earned more than \$120,000.

Would it be much different if Pancho were 28?

"If I were 28, I could hammer away at Rod on every point and keep the pressure on him. Now, at 41, I must pace myself," Pancho said.

**Morris to Play for Razorbacks**  
FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP)

Jack Morris, a 6-foot, 170-pound split end and punter, said Thursday he will sign to play football for the Arkansas Razorbacks next year.

Morris, a native of Shawnee, Kan., had a 47-yard punting average last season at Hutchinson Junior College in Kansas.

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# Bidding for Owens Will Start Where O.J. Simpson Left Off

By MARTY RALBOVSKY,  
NEA Sports Writer

NEW YORK (NEA)—Before Steve Owens gets fitted for his first pro football uniform—the colors will probably be either Pittsburgh Steeler gold or Chicago Bear blue—he'll be wearing one of green. Some time very soon, he will enter the Army for a little basic training.

"I'm in the process of joining a National Guard unit in Oklahoma City," the Heisman Trophy winner says. "I'm joining with John Ward, the All-America tackle from Oklahoma State. We both asked to go on active duty as soon as possible so we don't have to go during the football season. I'll be gone about 16 weeks."

"My younger brother, Dale, is a private first class in a unit back home in Miami (Okla.). He tells me I'll be earning \$3.84 a day in the Army. That totals up . . . let's see . . . to \$115.20 a month."

What the Army is going to pay Steve Owens is exactly \$115.20 more a month than he received for playing football at Oklahoma. But, if the people who are going to handle his pro contract negotiations have their way, Steve Owens is going to be making at least \$115.20 per skill session. The word is bidding on Steve Owens will start where the bidding for O. J. Simpson left off.

"We're going to use O. J.'s figure as a starter and see what happens," says Mike Wilson, president of Sports-Plus, Inc., the New York-based firm which represents Owens. "We're not out to rob anyone and we don't think we're being unreasonable in asking that figure. In many ways, Owens has as much to offer pro football as

O. J. has. And I know what O. J. got from Buffalo: \$325,000 over four years. I used to be in the business, remember?"

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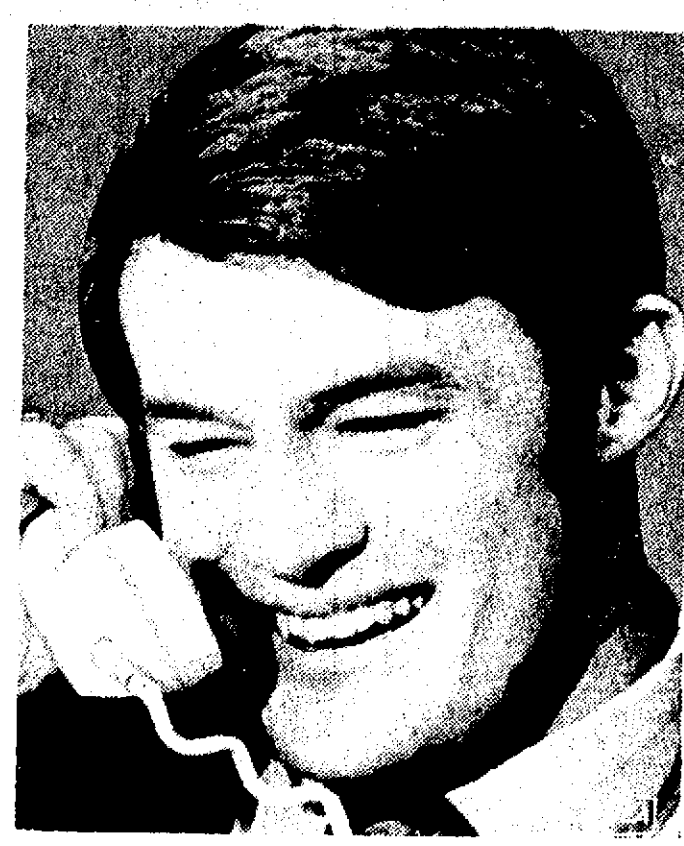
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**Late Show Saturday at Saenger Also Sunday and Monday**



Clint Eastwood and Richard Burton, aided by Mays Ure in their access to a Nazi field headquarters, disguise themselves as German officers as part of their perilous mission to rescue an Allied general in M.G.M.'s "Hombre." The explosive drama, filmed from a novel and screenplay by Winston Churchill, was photographed in Paramount and Metrocolor on spectacular locations in the American West. It was directed by Brian Koppelman.



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27 French river  
31 Dry as the Sahara  
32 A prech  
33 Country in Arizona  
34 Preparation  
35 Great lake  
36 Part of Canada  
37 Scenic  
40 These are the best  
43 A kind of  
46 Extinct  
47 Thawed  
50 A kind of  
52 Bird of prey  
53 Flakes  
56 Spooner  
57 Saboteur

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1 Transatlantic  
2 Assault

for pro football from a public relations standpoint. He is an affable, warm person who comes on like O. J. Both are perfect gentlemen."

It also is Wilson's contention that in the pro draft Jan. 27, Steve Owens will not be the first player picked. He says this is a lean year for top college linemen and, when the Steelers start

things rolling, they will skip Owens and pick a lineman first.

"To be perfectly realistic, Steve could go as high as No. 2 or as low as No. 6," says Wilson. "But we're not counting on his being the very first player picked. He will be, we figure, the first running back picked. But you never know what is going to happen before then. We hear the Steelers are going to trade their No. 1 pick to the Minnesota Vikings and something like that could change everything."

The Heisman Trophy, of course, is another negotiating plus that Mike Wilson and his firm have not overlooked.

"We figure the Heisman Trophy is worth between \$50,000 and \$75,000 at the contract table. We went out of our way to make sure that Steve Owens got all the exposure he deserved this season, and that the Heisman people knew who he was. Playing in Oklahoma isn't the greatest thing in the world, from a publicity standpoint, so we did some selling on our own. Gosh, everywhere I went I talked up Steve Owens until I was blue in the face."

Owens, meanwhile, admits to being more concerned over standing in chow lines than in signing on dotted lines.

"My biggest worry," he says, "is how I'm going to look when the Army shaves all my hair off."

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**Solunar Tables**

The schedule of Solunar Periods, as printed below, has been taken from Richard Alden Knight's SOLUNAR TABLES. Plan your days so that you will be fishing in good territory or hunting in good cover during these times. If you wish to find the best sport that each day has to offer.

Date	Day	Minor	Major	Minor	Major
Jan 24	Saturday	6:25	12:10	6:50	12:35
25	Sunday	7:10	1:00	7:35	1:20

**CUTTING A CORNER.** Kiki Cutter comes out of a turn in a shower of snow during a women's slalom competition held in Germany.

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

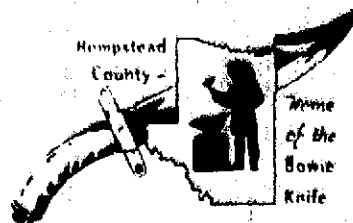
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"WHAT'S SO WILD ABOUT US?" These are dingo pups born at the London Zoo. A dingo is an Australian wild dog, but these fellows seem anything but wild as they pose shyly.



NOT AN OLD PHOTO nor a scene from a period movie, but a hansom cab and a young New Yorker making their way through snow-covered Central Park.

## Pill May Affect, Not Cause Ills

WASHINGTON (AP) — Claims that birth control pills cause liver damage, diseases of the veins and arteries or diabetes are at present only "theoretical speculation," a Senate subcommittee was told today.

Dr. William Spellacy of the University of Miami School of Medicine, said, however, there appears to be solid evidence the pill can aggravate existing liver and vein disorders.

Spellacy, an associate professor of obstetrics and gynecology, commented in testimony prepared for the fifth and final session of the Senate subcommittee's current hearings on safety of the pill.

The subcommittee, chaired by Senator Gaylord Nelson of Wisconsin, plans further hearings in the coming months but none has been scheduled.

Of 17 witnesses heard besides Spellacy in the past two weeks, the majority have reported—and emphasized—suspected links between the pill and numerous disorders ranging from nausea and headaches to heart trouble, liver damage, strokes, diabetes and cancer of the breast, cervix and uterus.

No witness claimed hard proof of such relationships and Spellacy said to "find these answers will require large in-depth prospective studies of each organ system . . . at many doses, and drug combinations carried out for many years in a variety of different environments on many types of people."

Reviewing studies done on the effect of oral contraceptives on the liver, Spellacy said several of the organ's functions are altered by oral contraceptives.

## Judge Is Too Efficient

PADUCAH, Ky. (AP) — A judge elected after he promised to crack down on law violators is doing just that. The result: an overcrowded jail and high food bills for prisoners.

Kenneth Burkhardt, then McCracken County sheriff, said during his campaign against incumbent city Judge Tyler Bourne that Bourne was too lenient with persons convicted in his court. He promised stricter and harsher punishment, and he was elected.

He took office Jan. 5, Tuesday there were 47 persons in the city jail, with mattresses for 35. A drunk tank had been converted to a jail cell to accommodate overflow.

## Council of Churches to Seek Youth

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — Seeking to involve young people more fully in all its operations, the National Council of Churches plans to eliminate its youth department and spread participation of the young throughout the organization.

To get the job done, it has authorized the naming of a special youth officer and a watchdog committee, made up mostly of young people, to stimulate youth involvement in the various activities of the council.

The council's general board, representing 33 Protestant and Orthodox denominations with a total of 44 million members, Thursday authorized the new steps to do away with the old youth department and integrate youth with all council programs.

At the same time, the council's 27-member executive committee was expanded to 32 with the provision that the additional five members all be under age 27.

The new rules also require that each of the four major program boards include at least 10 persons under age 27.

## Judge Puts Carthage 'on Its Own'

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — U.S. District Court Judge J. Smith Henley said Thursday that those involved in a school dispute at Carthage should try to work out their own problems.

The dispute involves a boycott of public schools by about 175 Negro pupils, who are going to makeshift classes set up in a church at Carthage.

Henley, who is considering a lawsuit stemming from the dispute, said that the temporary schools are not equipped or staffed to provide adequate education.

At issue in the suit before him is a state Welfare Department regulation forbidding payments of aid to families with dependent children if the children do not attend schools that meet the approval of the department.

Henley said that determining what an "approved" school is involves a broad question of definition.

State Welfare Commissioner Len Blaylock, given the task of rating the makeshift school at Carthage, testified in the suit that there was no clear definition of "approved." He said the regulation apparently could not be enforced.

Henley indicated that he might abstain from ruling in the lawsuit.

In the end, regulations of a state agency mean what that agency and the state judiciary say they mean," he explained, adding that the case "may be a classic case for abstention."

He did, however, take the matter under advisement.

## Married Couples Are Among 96 Completing Course in Driving

By MARY ANITA LASETER  
Star Feature Writer

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ridgill were among the 96 local people who completed the Defensive Driving Course last month at the Red River Vo-Tech School. They were part of a class that included a number of married couples as well as individuals, and we asked their opinion of the course.

"Once you have started the course, you will surely want to finish it," the Ridgills said, and they agreed that they are now more conscious of the other driver as well as of their own mistakes.

"Any driver should take this course, regardless of age or length of driving experience," said Mrs. George Hosmer, because she missed one of the December sessions, this local business woman plans to take advantage of the repeated classes which will begin Monday, January 26.

Fire Chief Jim Cobb, who took the four sessions of the course, said, "I'm for it 100 per cent." He explained that Grand Stand driving is no good whether on a fire truck or in a car and could result in the driver being "dead right."

Do you know what to do in an emergency on the road? A local housewife, Mrs. H.A. Spraggins, was glad to find out when she took the course. "It has made me more aware of the dangers and problems of the driver," she said.

Another Hope citizen, K.G. Hamilton, said the course taught him to be "on the alert for the

other fellow's actions" and to exercise "patient precaution." He said that it was well worthwhile for anyone to take the Defensive Driving Course.

About 25 of those taking the course last month were students from Hope High School. One of these, Steve Routon, had taken Driver Education in school, but he found the Defensive Driving instruction very helpful and said he "learned a lot." It was now the same thing as Driver Ed. and was a beneficial addition which he would recommend to any age driver.

"Accidents are not always the other fellow's fault," Mrs. Royce Welsberger learned when she and Judge Welsberger took the course. "The full impact of the hazards of excessive speed was a shocking revelation to me," she said.

Everyone had high praise for Trooper Ray Davis who taught the course in December and will again serve as instructor on four successive Monday nights, beginning January 26 and continuing February 2, 9, and 16. Classes will be held, as before, at the Red River Vo-Tech School from 7 to 9 p.m., sponsored by the Agricultural Extension Service in cooperation with law enforcement, educational, service and governmental organizations. The classes are supervised by Capt. Milton Mosler.

If you drive, you should be interested in How to Drive to Stay Alive. That is what you will learn in the Defensive Driving Course which begins next Monday.

## Racial Overtones Behind Snub

MARIANNA, Ark. (AP) — Young Dr. Dan Blumenthal has reason to believe he is having trouble with the Lee County Medical Society because he has been telling Negroes "reap and demand their rights."

"I haven't been doing any of that," said Blumenthal, 28, who has been in Lee County since last August working in a pilot VISTA medical program.

Blumenthal's problems with his medical peers were emphasized when he was not invited to a special church service Sunday honoring the four other doctors in Marianna.

But being invited to a church service is the least of Blumenthal's troubles.

He ran into his first obstacle when he was denied membership in the Lee County Medical Society.

Blumenthal said that he has been informed that the doctors denied his application because "they were against socialized medicine and government interference in local affairs, and they thought I was a spy for the government."

"Another doctor said I was an agitator," Blumenthal said.

Being a member of the Lee County Medical Society is the key to having a practice in the Marianna. Without membership, Blumenthal cannot use any of the Marianna hospital's facilities to treat his patients, most of whom are indigent.

## Girl Scouts Announce New Cookies

There is something new under the sun, according to Mrs. David Peters, Girl Scout Neighborhood Cookie chairman in Hope. The Girl Scouts are selling a new kind of cookie this year. They are called pecanettes, a delicious crunchy pecan and chocolate chip cookie.

But if you are one who likes to stick with the tried and true varieties, the assorted sandwich, chocolate mint, peanut butter and butter flavored shorties are still available at 50 cents a box.

Girl Scout cookie salesmen, like Girl Scout cookies, come in all sizes, shapes and colors. Eleven troops from Hope are taking part in this annual sale. The troops and their cookie chairmen are: 60, Mrs. Carl Arrington; 63, Mrs. Hildred May; 156, Mrs. Ralph Carrington; 247, Mrs. C.W. Terry; 113, Adell White; 262, Mrs. Roger Fletcher and Mrs. Wayne Whitely; 297, Mrs. Charles Bryan and Mrs. E.L. White; 311, Mrs. J.W. Hower; 153, Miss Muriel Moss; 140, Mrs. Thomas Jordan; and 75, Mrs. John Cox.

Orders for cookies are now being taken and will continue through January 26. Cookies will be delivered February 21-March 7. When a salesman calls on you, take your pick of 5 varieties this year at only 50 cents a box. Better still, pick one of each.

## New Fighting Breaks Out in Vietnam

By GEORGE ESPER  
Associated Press Writer

SAIGON (AP) — New fighting was reported today near the base of Black Virgin Mountain north of Saigon and in the U Minh Forest deep in the Mekong Delta. Both regions have long been enemy strongholds.

Thirty-seven North Vietnamese and Viet Cong were reported killed by allied forces in the two clashes Friday, the only significant ground fighting reported. The only allied casualties reported were four South Vietnamese soldiers wounded in the U Minh fighting.

The U.S. Command said the fighting near Black Virgin Mountain, called Nui Ba Den in Vietnamese, started when enemy troops opened fire with rifles and machine guns on reconnaissance helicopters. Twelve enemy soldiers were reported killed. There were no U.S. casualties.

It was the first fighting reported around the mountain, 55 miles northwest of Saigon, since two weeks ago when troops of the U.S. 25th Infantry Division, claimed that they killed 123 enemy soldiers in a four-day operation.

The U.S. Command also said that about half of the 29 enemy rocket and mortar attacks reported throughout South Vietnam during the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. today were concentrated in Tay Ninh Province, the province in which the mountain is located.

Headquarters said only nine of the 29 attacks caused casualties or damage and reported one American killed and two wounded. Field reports said six South Vietnamese soldiers were wounded.

South Vietnamese headquarters said government marines and infantrymen backed by American helicopter gunships and artillery killed 25 enemy soldiers and captured 11 weapons in the U Minh Forest battle 138 miles southwest of Saigon.

## Kennedy Asks Amendment of Crime Bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, after losing one fight to amend a major anticrime bill, scheduled a second attempt today as the Senate neared passage of the legislation sought by President Nixon.

The organized crime control bill before the Senate was one of the measures the President was talking about Thursday in his State of the Union message when he said: "We in the executive have done everything we can under existing law but new and stronger weapons are needed in this fight."

Pending as the Senate resumed work on the measure was an amendment by Kennedy, the Democratic whip from Massachusetts, and Sen. Phillip A. Hart, D-Mich. It would strike a section of the bill overturning a 1968 Supreme Court decision that permitted defendants access to government information obtained from illegal wiretaps so that they can determine if evidence thus obtained is being used against them.

One object of the bill was to make it easier to obtain evidence for criminal prosecutions.

In a vote Thursday shortly after President Nixon renewed his call for tough new anticrime bills, the Senate rejected 62-11 an attempt by Kennedy to narrow the list of offenses for which additional prison sentences of 30 years can be imposed.

Kennedy argued the special sentencing provision in the bill would go beyond the field of organized crime and might be applied to hundreds of other crimes, even in cases where persons were convicted of civil rights or selective service law violations.

His amendment would have restricted the additional sentences to offenses listed in another section of the bill establishing new powers to fight infiltration of legitimate businesses and labor unions by racketeers.

## Work on One, Drink on Another

DAWSON CREEK, B.C. (AP) — Residents of this northern British Columbia town work on Mountain Standard Time but do their drinking on Pacific Time.

It is perfectly legal, District Judge K. F. Arkell ruled in Provincial Court Wednesday when he dismissed charges of selling beer after hours brought against the Columbia Hotel.

A police officer testified he bought beer at the hotel after 12:30 A.M. MST.

Judge Arkell explained that a statute governing interpretation of legal acts in British Columbia states that when times are referred to, they shall be Pacific Standard Time.

## Biafra an Example of African Ills

By WILLIAM L. RYAN  
AP Special Correspondent

Nigeria's 30-month nightmare of civil war was a warning symptom of what ails the immense continent of Africa.

Lessons for all nations involved, big and small, powerful and weak, are fairly obvious. But nations have an uninspiring record of learning from such lessons, and the outlook for the African continent, as of now, remains gloomy.

Civil and guerrilla war, political instability, poverty, hunger, disease, backwardness, population explosion, division, suspicions—you name it, Africa has it. To complicate all this, its resources and geography make it an arena of global contest. It all threatens to produce, some day, a continental nervous breakdown with repercussions for the rest of the world.

Even after World War II there were only four independent nations in the whole continent: South Africa, Liberia, Egypt and Ethiopia. Then what British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan called "the wind of change" blew the continent abruptly into the 20th century, unready and unable to cope.

The avalanche of independence began when Ghana, the former British Ivory Coast, won freedom in 1947. France under Charles de Gaulle began liquidating its empire in 1958. In the 1960s alone, 31 new nations were born from the womb of colonialism, British, French and Belgian.

A sort of reverse, latter-day colonialism dictated frontiers. What had been colonial boundaries were demanded by new leaders as their own, regardless of racial, cultural, religious, tribal and other differences. Now, in a continent of close to 350 million people there are 40-odd states, some far too small to be viable.

In the 1960s there were 15 coups and mutinies, a variety of assassinations, two civil wars, several guerrilla wars.

For many countries the economic outlook is bleak. In 20 nations, the per capita income is less than \$100 a year. In the rest it is little better and the highest probably is under \$400. Most rely on basic agricultural products.

Some of the black nations find they cannot get along without whites. Their lack of skills cannot be overcome in the near future.

The vast Sahara and formidable mountains divide Africa, north from south. There are many other barriers, such as the arbitrary colonial boundaries of what are now independent states, lack of a common tongue. The north is mostly Moslem, much of it Arabic-speaking. The Islamic conquest of centuries ago failed to surmount the natural barriers. Below the Sahara are pagans and Christians. So the "Africa for Africans" slogan tends to lose meaning, since it is a world wrapped up in a continent, a world of many languages and cultures. Pan-Africanism is a goal for many, but it is distant, if not impossible.

Altar Boys  
Take Offerings

CINCINNATI, Ohio (AP) — Six altar boys accused of stealing \$1,500 from offering baskets at St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church were being held today.

## Narcotics Bill Follows Crime Bill Passage

By JOHN CHADWICK  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — On the heels of passage of an organized crime control bill, the Senate was called into Saturday session today to work on another administration-backed measure to overhaul federal narcotics laws.

The drug bill sharply reduces penalties for the possession or use of marijuana, heroin and other narcotics, while providing stiffer sentences for pushers and traffickers in illegal drugs.

Majority Leader Mike Mansfield moved to take up the drug bill immediately after the Senate passed the organized crime control measure by a 72-1 vote despite scattered protests that some of its provisions endanger individual rights.

The Montana Democrat urged the Senate to approve the bill, one of the major anti-crime measures sought by President Nixon, with "a big bang" to show its determination to combat organized crime.

Atty. Gen. John N. Mitchell congratulated the Senate for its passage of the bill and urged quick House action.

"This act is one of the most imaginative and comprehensive proposals to combat organized crime ever introduced in the Congress," Mitchell said.

However, there appeared to be no prospect for early action in the House where no hearings have been scheduled.

Instead, Chairman Emanuel Celler, D-N.Y., of the House Judiciary Committee has announced hearings starting Feb. 18 on federal grants to the states for beefed-up local police forces under the Safe Streets Act of 1968.

One basic thrust of the measure passed by the Senate Friday is to bring federal enforcement powers directly to bear on illegal gambling, a major source of revenues for the Mafia and other underworld cartels.

Large-scale illicit gambling enterprises would be made a federal crime. These are defined as involving five or more persons, being in operation for more than 30 days, and having a gross take of as much as \$2,000 in any one day.

Bribery of local officials by gambling syndicates would be a federal offense.

Another novel part of the bill is designed to root out racketeer infiltration of business and labor unions, partially through use of anti-trust concepts like divestiture, dissolution and reorganization.

The bill also provides for extra sentences of up to 30 years' imprisonment for habitual and professional criminals and leaders of organized crime.

## Jewish Citizenship Unrestricted

JERUSALEM (AP) — In a history-making decision, Israel's highest court ruled today that a person may hold Jewish nationality even if he rejects the Jewish religion and proclaims himself an atheist.

The verdict was handed down in the case of an Israeli Jewish naval officer, an atheist, married to a Christian Scots woman, who had demanded the state register his children as Jewish citizens. Under Jewish law, a child takes the religion of his mother.

The 5 to 4 verdict of Israel's Supreme Court was reached after a year of deliberation. It could have a wide effect on the future course of the Jewish state.

The ruling orders Israel's Interior Ministry to inscribe the children, on their compulsory identity cards as follows:

Nationality: Jewish

Religion: None

Lt. Cmdr. Benjamin Shalit, who argued his own case, said the state's refusal to register his children as Jewish meant they would be listed as "foreign," which they are not, since they live in Israel, support Israel's cause, speak Hebrew and go to Israeli schools in an Israeli environment.